



Geronimo family and friends,

The austere conditions in Afghanistan have been somewhat alleviated, providing a pleasant surprise to our deployed soldiers. Engineers in country have been working hard to build structures, showers, and sinks. Currently, the soldiers are able to use 40 showers and 40 sinks which is much better than the anticipated eight showers and sinks. The chow was also complimented. Please continue to send letters and packages, as mail from home is always a morale booster.

Back here at Fort Richardson, family members and friends continue to support each other. There are many activities at Fort Richardson and Anchorage that are available. If you are not taking advantage of all of the events, please look in the Moose Sentinel or contact your Family Readiness Group (FRG) for options. Getting out and staying busy is an excellent way to cope while missing our deployed friends and family.

This is the first of many letters from the Rear Detachment and the first time we are updating this web site. If you have ideas, questions, or comments please e-mail 1LT Joe Whitener through the link provided. Look for upcoming updates from Afghanistan; we have a representative who will be sending us pictures and updates. These will be available for viewing on the web once we receive them.

Remember, we are all in this together. Please maintain contact with each other, get involved, be proactive, and enjoy this beautiful state.

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Sincerely,

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